

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

The Applicants respectfully presents herewith replacement Figs. 10 and 16-20, which include the desired changes, without markings, and which comply with 37 C.F.R. §1.84. The changes made to Figs. 10 and 16-20 are explained in the accompanying remarks section below.

REMARKS

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the foregoing amendment prior to examination of the above-identified patent application. By this Amendment, the drawings, specification and claims 1-8 have been canceled and new claims 9-20 have been added. No new matter has been added.

The Office Action dated October 11, 2005, objected to Figures 16-20 of the drawings as not being labeled as "Prior Art". The Office Action also objected to Figure 10 because it did not include the reference character 72. The Applicants have amended the drawings responsive to the objections and respectfully submit that all Figures are in compliance with U.S. patent practice. No new matter is presented.

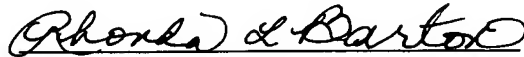
The Office Action also objected to the disclosure for minor informalities. The Applicants have amended the specification responsive to the objection. No new matter is presented.

Claims 7 and 8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claims 4-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lunz (WO 92/14070). As claims 4-8 have been canceled, the rejections are now rendered moot.

Timely examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment for any additional fees which may be required with respect to this paper to our Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing docket number 027905-00002.

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Petition for Extension of Time (one month)
Replacement Drawing Figures 10 and 16-20